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TRIPARTITE BERLIN CONTINGENCY PLANNING GROUP MEETING JUNE 5

1. Committee noted receipt tripartite agreed draft contingency plan in event possible Soviet withdrawal from BASC. Proposed alternatives will be studied. Hope provide views on issues raised at early date.
2. US noted receipt final text QBAL Plan. British and French have not yet received. US studying. Comment forthcoming later.
3. US reported receipt and distribution to Br. and Fr. embassies of tripartitely agreed recommended Surface access instructions. Br. and Fr. not informed of their governments' views yet. US stated we accepted basic plan but noted problem raised in SECTO 158, (rptd Bonn 159) re necessity special provisions for women and children. Suggest Bonn study tripartitely. Department's comment: Halting such traffic appears feasible

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but attaching to military convoys which slated to remain where stopped as long as necessary not practicable and alters military character of convoy.

4. Agreement to set up tripartite working group to consider all forms non-military counter measures reached.

5. Summary US diplomatic <sup>approaches</sup> ~~approaches~~ in all non-NATO countries given. French suggested coordination between US, UK and French Ambassadors all non-NATO countries as to which in best position keep local government informed western views.

6. General agreement on referral to UN after failure negotiations and before signing separate Sov/GDR peace treaty. Br. foresaw no problem obtaining UK agreement to balance after few language changes. French asked why necessary study other alternatives when we agreed on best time to move. US pointed out treaty might be signed before we could move therefore alternatives must be examined.

7. Draft Statement for release when turnover checkpoints imminent. US noted tripartite agreement on text. We were making some non-sub-  
~~stantive~~ stantive changes suggested by Berlin. Br and Fr declared document too long for public release. Would make good basis for note to Sovs. British will submit own version. We will amend ours as planned. Committee will study both versions at meeting June 9.

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